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Chief of Base Pullach

Operational 'ZIPPER CART'

Walter LÄUFER and Curt PÖHLER

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1. After press releases appeared concerning the arrests of Walter LAMM (b. 14 Aug. 1918) and Curt POMMER (b. 27 July 1913), "Dr. SCHAEFER", head of IV 8, submitted his report # 5870, 17 Jan., which ZIPPER in turn turned over to us. We immediately asked to see the previous reports # 5721, 5739, 5760, which 40 assured us had been sent to us, but which we can not find and do not remember seeing; [] would certainly remember having seen such reports. Later we did obtain a copy of report # 5721. 40 stated that the 40 copies of reports 5739 and 5760 had been destroyed, but that the substance of those reports is contained on the ZIPPER cards on Subjects. The cards were loaned to us and copied. Attached is one copy of each report and card. (For key see Att. to NSLA-12920.)

2. The gist of SCHAFER's report is that, on 21 Oct. '52, at the Bavarian-Austrian border, SCHAFER saw Subjects in a Volkswagen bearing Vienna license # W 60848 (said to belong to LAUERN), in the company of Dr. Wilhelm HERTZL. SCHAFER reported that FOMER seemed to be acquainted with the personnel of the border office and appeared to be connected with the book trade.

3. It would seem that SCHAEFER talked at least with Curt FÖRSTER (incorrectly listed in report 5714 as "Kurt PRAGER"), but it is not clear whether FÖRSTER and BÄCKER overheard the SCHAEFER - BÖHTEL discussions concerning THOMASDÖRFLER's book "Was Sie Verdorben Wollten" and the statement by BÖHTEL that he had established contact with ZIPPER headquarters (through UN, according to SCHAEFER's expressed belief).

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